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Novelties for 1900.

In this list are offered besides novelties of my own raising and introduction, also some which I have taken over in acknowledgement of their good qualities. My previous introductions have always met with undoubted success, so that I know for certain, that all of the following novelties will excite the same attention and will meet with the same approbation, therefore I beg you to offer them in your next catalogue.

In that case I allow $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ discount on the prices quoted, unless net prices being offered.

The 10 packet-price will be allowed on orders of at least 5 packets. The 100 packet-price will be allowed on orders of at least 25 packets.

Electros are quoted at the lowest possible price, but are strictly net.



Electro Copper 2 s. 6 d.

*** STERLING NOVELTY! ***

Delicacy Potato, earliest pale red

After introduction of such a large number of new varieties of Potatoes during the last decenniums, one should think it almost impossible, ever to introduce again any further new and valuable varieties. But if we wish to be well up in the cultivation of Potatoes, which is considered one of the most important branch of either agriculture and horticulture, we must try all the respective novelties and thereby the

Delicacy Potato, earliest pale red,

which was offered already last year here and there, has proved to be a **decided acquisition** in every way among all early Potatoes.

It is

1st of a fine oval form. 2nd of good flavor. 3rd the earliest of the earlies. 4th the heaviest cropper of all earlies. 5th owing to these qualities, it is the variety, which secures the most money to any grower of early Potatoes. The tubers have a yellow skin with a reddish hue, the flesh is yellowish white, they have but few and flat eyes, the tubers grow remarkably close to the vine as shown by the above illustration. The yield increased up to more than 300 Cwts. per acre on good soil; the first marketable tubers were dug up in a sheltered position (of course from tubers, which were germinated before planting) as early as the **beginning of June.**

Every market gardener and every Potato grower should try this novelty.

1 Cwt. 24 s., 10 lbs. 3 s., 1 lb. 5 d.

Hofbräu-Barley. ☼ Gambrinus-Barley.

It might appear a rather venture undertaking to introduce at one time two new varieties of Barley, if their excellent qualities would not be of so **exceedingly great value** to agriculture. Boths varieties are raised by one of the **most leading specialists** and now grown and carefully examined in this district the last two years. Boths have proved to be **really first class meritorious novelties**, worthy to be strongly recommended to all growers of Barley.

Hofbräu-Barley is an extraordinary early and prolific variety, which regarding the grain is not surpassed by any other Barley.

Gambrinus-Barley comes 10 to 12 days later and is also an excellent Barley for the brewery, thereby it has outyielded all other varieties, including such heavy cropping variety as the Goldthorpe Barley really is.

The past summer with the excessive drought and heat at the time of harvesting Barley was not rather suitable to get an opinion on new varieties, but nevertheless either „Hofbräu“- and „Gambrinus-Barley“ have proved superior in every way.

Price as per catalogue: 1 Cwt. 20 s., 10 lbs. 3 s., 1 lb. 5 d.

— Net price without discount: 1 Cwt. 15 s., 10 lbs. 2 s. —



Mark: Hofbräu-Barley.
Electro Copper 2 s. 10 d.



Mark: Gambrinus-Barley.
Electro Copper 2 s. 10 d.

Ostrich-feather Aster, bright rose.

The white Ostrich feather Aster, which has been introduced a few years ago, has proved to be **one of our most valuable Asters** and is widely distributed since. Even the imitation of inferior value under the name „Hohenzollern Aster“, which was introduced a year later, could not prevent the extensive cultivation of the Ostrich-feather Aster. As a further new color of the assortment this year can be added the **Ostrich-feather Aster „bright rose“**.

As the flowers of this novelty are not at least behind their whiteflowering sisters as regards the loosely texture, their long petals and the fine candelabrum growth of the plants, this new color is sure to be highly appreciated for any garden decoration by all friends of Asters, but especially it will prove **indispensable** to all growers of cutflowers.

This new color of the Ostrich-feather Aster is now offered also by some other parties, but any expert will be convinced, that a **superior quality** of the second color may be expected in the first line from the raiser of the first (white) color only. For this reason one should take care, not to get perhaps an inferior strain. The plants attain a height like those of the white color, of 18 to 20 inches.

100 pkts. 40 s., 10 pkts. 4 s. 6 d.



Electro Copper 5 s. 9 d. (smaller 1 s. 10 d.)

➤ Ostrich-feather Aster, white turning rose. ➤

Beside the Ostrich-feather Aster „bright rose“ described above, another new color „**white turning rose**“ comes into commerce this season, possessing all other good qualities of this class of Asters viz: candelabrum like habit of growth, immense sized, loosely formed curled flowers, wonderful floriferousness and thereby the same lovely color as the greatly admired Giant Comet Aster „The Bride“. It is a valuable completion to both of the other colors.

There are also offered this year several other Ostrich-feather Asters, but it is clear, that of a class of Asters being now in trade as long as 3 years, it is impossible to offer now already 5 new sufficiently fixed colors. For this reason one should take care to procure them.

Ostrich-feather Aster, white turning rose

100 pkts. 40 s., 10 pkts. 4 s. 6 d.



Electro Copper 8 s. (smaller 2 s.)

Aster, dwarf Comet Perfection, „pink“.

Of this splendid class of Asters, the white color has been introduced the past year. Now we are in the position as to offer a new variety of a beautiful **pink** as a counterpart to the foregoing. This new color possesses all the good properties of the white one, which may be again briefly resumed as follows:

1st Dwarf and compact growth, only 8 inches high, making it very valuable also as a pot plant.

2nd Extraordinary floriferousness; the flowers of the shape of the true curled Comet Aster have a diameter of 4 inches and are produced abundantly.

3rd Exceedingly early beginning to bloom, in earliness even ahead of „Queen of the market“.

The **dwarf Comet Perfection** is decidedly the earliest of noble and largeflowering Asters for cutting purposes.

100 pkts. 42 s., 10 pkts. 4 s. 6 d.



Valuable Introductions of the last Year.

Also on these prices $33\frac{1}{3}\%$.



Electro Copper 2 s., 10 d.

Radish „Icicle“.

Whenever a novelty of vegetables found the **widest distribution** and **unbounded admiration**, this is the case with the **Radish „Icicle“**. Where it has been grown, **everywhere** it gained **unanimously praise**. The weekly paper on horticulture „Praktischer Ratgeber im Obst- und Gartenbau“ recently published a great many flattering reports about this magnificent new Radish. But it fully deserves the praise bestowed upon it. Radish „Icicle“ produces its $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 inches long cylindrical transparent white roots to perfection in **such a short time**, that it vies in earliness with the **earliest forcing Radishes**. But it has the advantage, that

1st its flavor is considerably better,
2nd one „Icicle“ Radish being more than half a dozen of common Radishes.

3rd „Icicle“ even in a riper state is still of fine flavor and never becomes woody.

However there has not been a great demand for white Radishes yet on the market, the „Icicle“ easily has introduced itself and soon will be found **everywhere**. The price of the seed is considerably reduced this year.

per lb. 9 s., per oz. 10 d., per pkt. 4 d.

Radish „First Number“.

As a forcing Radish this excellent variety has achieved a great reputation; one of the most leading specialists said about it:

„This is the finest Radish, which I have ever seen.“

Radish „First Number“ is decidedly the earliest of all forcing Radishes, of a nice oval form and remarkably shortleaved; its unique splendid scarlet color, added to its large handsome size and tenderness without getting woody, render it very attractive and worthy to be commended.

per lb. 5 s., per oz. 6 d.,
per pkt. 4 d.



Electro Copper 4 s.

Darling

of Erfurt.



Electro Copper 3 s., larger 4 s.

Potato „Darling of Erfurt“.

This last years novelty is the finest yellow fleshed medium early Potato for the use in winter and spring. The tubers are of yellow color and nice round shape, exceedingly good keeping and of fine flavor. The „Darling of Erfurt“ is enormously prolific and seldom suffers from the potato disease. In consequence of the drought we had in August of this past season, the tubers sized up to a rather small size like all other medium early varieties. Under normal circumstances they grow much larger.

per Cwt. 15 s., 10 lbs. 1 s. 10 d., per lb. 3 d.



Electro Copper 3 s.

No market gardener and no amateur should fail to grow this novelty.

The price is considerably reduced
this year.

10 lbs. 16 s. 6 d., 1 lb. 1 s. 10 d., per pkt. 4 d.

Runner Bean, earliest „ten week“.

Also this novelty has fully answered the commendations about its superior qualities. It is a **first class Runner Bean for the market**, which will be **grown extensively** this year, after its merit has been recognized by everyone who tried it.

Its advantages are the following:

1st It is decidedly the earliest of all Runner Beans. Only this variety secures **Pods fit for table use** under normal circumstances **ten weeks** after sowing as the name says.

2nd The production of pods is really marvellous, generally clusters of 4 to 5 pods of a length up to 9 inches are produced together as the annexed illustrations, taken from photographs show; very often the clusters consist of 6 pods of the above size, which is rarely found among longpodded Runnerbeans.

3rd It will secure the highest prices to Market gardeners, as the **ten week Bean** matures considerably in **advance of any other Runnerbeans.**

4th The pods are of the same size as the well known „Fillbasket“, they are very tender and will be found exceedingly valuable and suitable for preserving purposes.



Electro Copper 3 s. 3 d.

Giant dwarf Bean „Emperor William improved“.

The well known and highly appreciated dwarf Bean, Emperor William, which is known as being one of our best varieties of open ground and forcing Beans, attains its greatest perfection through this introduction. This novelty seems to be qualified in time to supersede the old Emperor William-Bean; its pods attain an astonishing length even to 10 inches and therewith is this variety quite as early and more prolific than its original sort. It is quite useless to say any more in its praise; everyone, who grows it instead of the old sort, will give it the preference absolutely.

100 pkts. (each $1\frac{2}{3}$ ozs.) 30 s.,
10 pkts. 3 s. 6 d.



Electro Copper 2 s.

Convolvulus tricolor compactus, various colors mixed.

Our creeping kinds of Convolvulus are already great favorites owing to the ease with which they are grown and their long-flowering season. **But the above new addition raises them at once to the level of pot and bedding plants.** Owing to their loose, straggling mode of growth the old sorts were quite unfit for this purpose. But a bed or even a single pot of the new beautiful **Convolvulus tricolor compactus** produces an attractive sight as the joined illustration, reproduced from a photograph will show. In some



Electro Copper 3 s.

Convolvulus tricolor compactus, various colors mixed.

ways the plant rather reminds one of our compact growing Petunias; it is also covered with flowers and in the mixture are represented all colors from white to deep violet. This novelty decidedly is one of the best hardy annuals, which has been introduced to the trade last year. Like the old sorts, the seeds of this grow in the open ground, but for cultivation in pots it is better to sow in pots or in a frame.

100 pkts. 30 s., 10 pkts. 3 s. 6 d.

